



General Assembly

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Raised Bill No. 1060

LCO No. 3013

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Referred to Committee on Education

Introduced by:
(ED)

AN ACT CONCERNING SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Section 10-285c of the general statutes is repealed and the
2 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2005*):

3 For school building projects approved by the General Assembly
4 after July 1, 1993, if state reimbursement pursuant to the provisions of
5 this chapter or any special act, for the acquisition, purchase or
6 construction of a building was for [one hundred] ninety-five per cent
7 or more of the eligible costs of such acquisition, purchase or
8 construction and such building ceases to be used for the purpose for
9 which the grant was provided within twenty years of the date of
10 approval by the General Assembly of the project, title to the building
11 shall revert to the state unless the Commissioner of Education decides
12 otherwise for good cause.

13 Sec. 2. Subsection (b) of section 10-292 of the general statutes is
14 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*
15 *1, 2005*):

16 (b) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (a) of this section,
 17 a town or regional school district may submit final plans and
 18 specifications for oil tank replacement, roof replacement, asbestos
 19 abatement, code violation, energy conservation, network wiring,
 20 certified school indoor air quality emergency projects or projects for
 21 which state assistance is not sought, to the local officials having
 22 jurisdiction over such matters for review and written approval. The
 23 total costs for an asbestos abatement, code violation, energy
 24 conservation, [or] network wiring, or certified school indoor air quality
 25 emergency project eligible for review and approval under this
 26 subsection shall not exceed one million dollars. Except for projects for
 27 which state assistance is not sought and projects for which the town or
 28 regional school district is using a state contract pursuant to subsection
 29 (d) of this section, no school building project described in this
 30 subsection shall go out for bidding purposes prior to the receipt and
 31 acceptance by the Department of Education of such written approval.

32 Sec. 3. Section 10-287e of the general statutes is repealed. (*Effective*
 33 *July 1, 2005*)

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>July 1, 2005</i>	10-285c
Sec. 2	<i>July 1, 2005</i>	10-292(b)
Sec. 3	<i>July 1, 2005</i>	10-287e repealed

Statement of Purpose:

To provide that if (1) state reimbursement for the acquisition, purchase or construction of a building was for ninety-five per cent of the eligible costs, and (2) such building ceases to be used for the purposes for which the grant was provided within twenty years of the date of the approval of the project by the General Assembly, title to the building shall revert to the state, to include certified indoor air quality emergency projects as projects eligible for local plan review instead of requiring that they go through the Department of Education's plan review, and to repeal an obsolete school construction statute concerning a school building construction fund that no longer exists.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]